



新中友好协会  
New Zealand China Friendship Society

# Grand Canal & Heritage Tour to China

4 September-24 September 2024



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# Grand Canal of China

'a 2014 UNESCO World Heritage Site, including historic sites, locks, and other features'

✓ One of the oldest (6th to 7th centuries CE) and longest artificial waterways in the world (over 1,100 miles/ 1,800 kilometers), connecting Beijing in the north to Hangzhou in the south

✓ Purpose: to facilitate transportation of goods, primarily rice and other staple food crops, from the agriculturally rich regions of the Yangtze River to the imperial capital in the north.

✓ An important symbol of China's ancient engineering prowess; its historical role in fostering economic and cultural connections between different regions of the country



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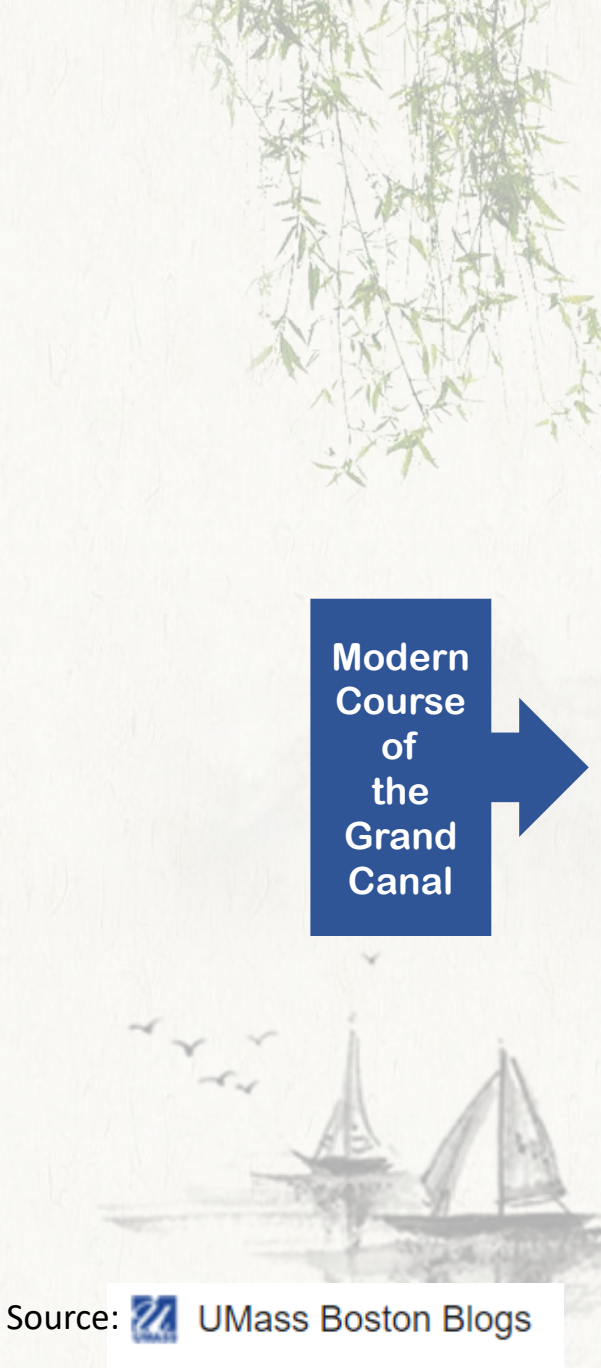
1. "China's Grand Canal in foreigners' eyes"

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Xr35Y0nKbzM>

2. "The Beauty of the Grand Canal"

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G5wl8mTj1Fk>





Modern Course of the Grand Canal



**TOUR ROUTE**

- Beijing
- ↓
- Tianjin
- ↓
- Mt. Taishan
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- Qufu
- ↓
- Tai'erzhuang
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- Huai'an
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- Yangzhou
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- Zhenjiang
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- Jiaxing
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- Hangzhou
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- Shanghai



DAY 1---DAY 3  
Beijing

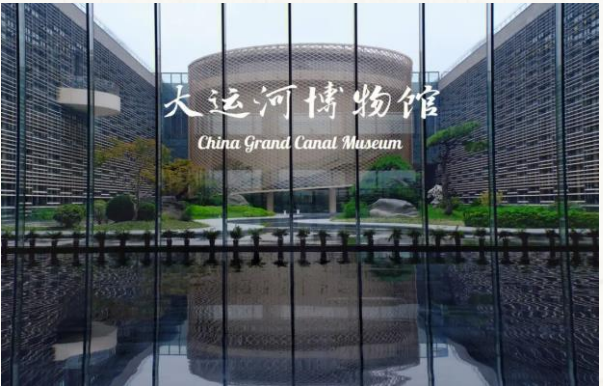
Rickshaw tour



Houhai  
Lake



Great  
Wall



Canal  
Forest  
Park



## DAY 4---DAY 5 Tianjin

### Dagukou Fort Ruins

It gained prominence during the First and Second Opium Wars in the mid-19th century when foreign powers sought access to Chinese trade routes.

### Ancient Culture Street

Traditional Chinese architecture for a variety of shops selling traditional crafts, antiques, and souvenirs

### Eye of Tianjin

### Yangliuqing New Year Prints

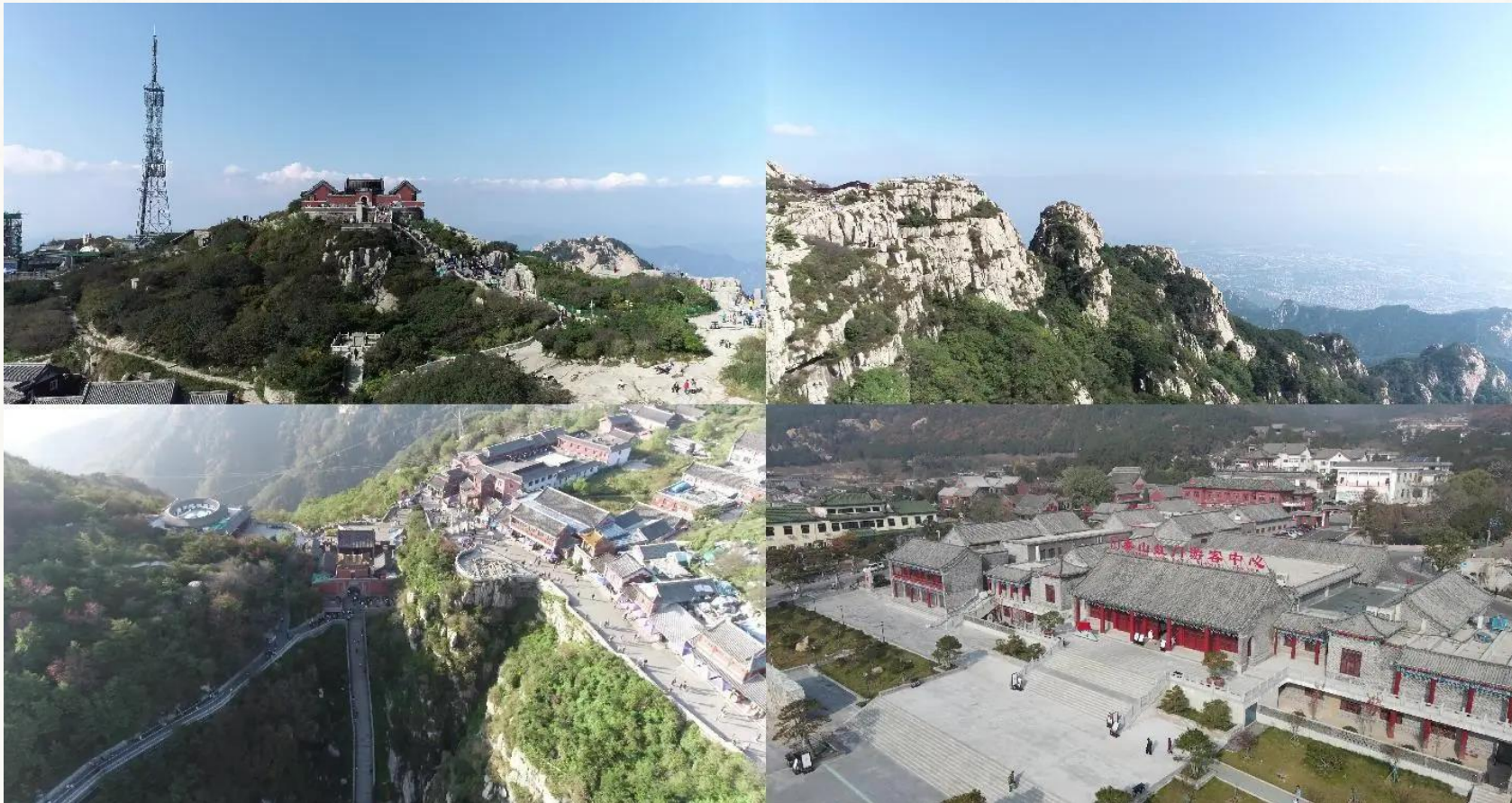
Known as Yangliuqing Nianhua(杨柳青年画), a traditional Chinese folk-art form, associated with the celebration of the Chinese New Year

### Puyi' s Former Residence: the last emperor of China





DAY 6  
Mount Tai



Mount Tai/Taishan



- One of the Five Great Mountains of China, holding great cultural and historical significance
- UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1987 for its cultural and the natural environment
- A popular activity for visitors: watching the sunrise from the summit of Mount Tai is. The view is often spectacular and has cultural and spiritual significance.



DAY 7---DAY 8  
Qufu: Hometown of Confucius



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Known as Kong Fuzi or Kongzi (551–479 BCE), a Chinese philosopher, teacher, and political thinker whose ideas have profoundly influenced Chinese culture, philosophy, and ethics



②

Key virtues in Confucianism include **ren** (benevolence or humaneness), **yi** (righteousness), **li** (rituals and propriety), **zhi** (wisdom), and **xin** (integrity)



③

Confucianism became a dominant philosophical and ethical system in China and East Asia, including education, government, family relationships, and rituals.



Confucius



# Day 8 Qufu Experiential Activities



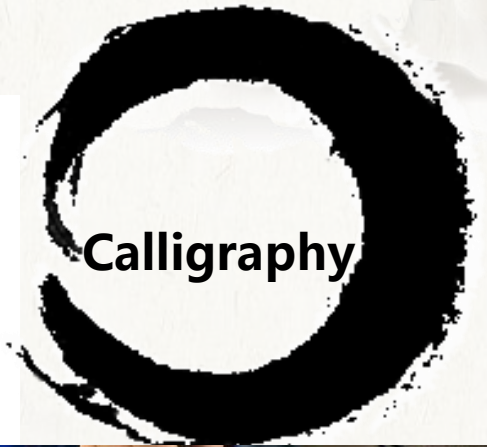
Tablet  
rubbing



bamboo  
slips



Seals



Calligraphy





DAY 9  
Tai'erzhuang





DAY 10---DAY 11  
Huai'an

**Wu Cheng'en**

A Chinese novelist and poet best known for his classic work "Journey to the West" (also known as "Monkey" or "The Monkey King")

**Zhou Enlai**

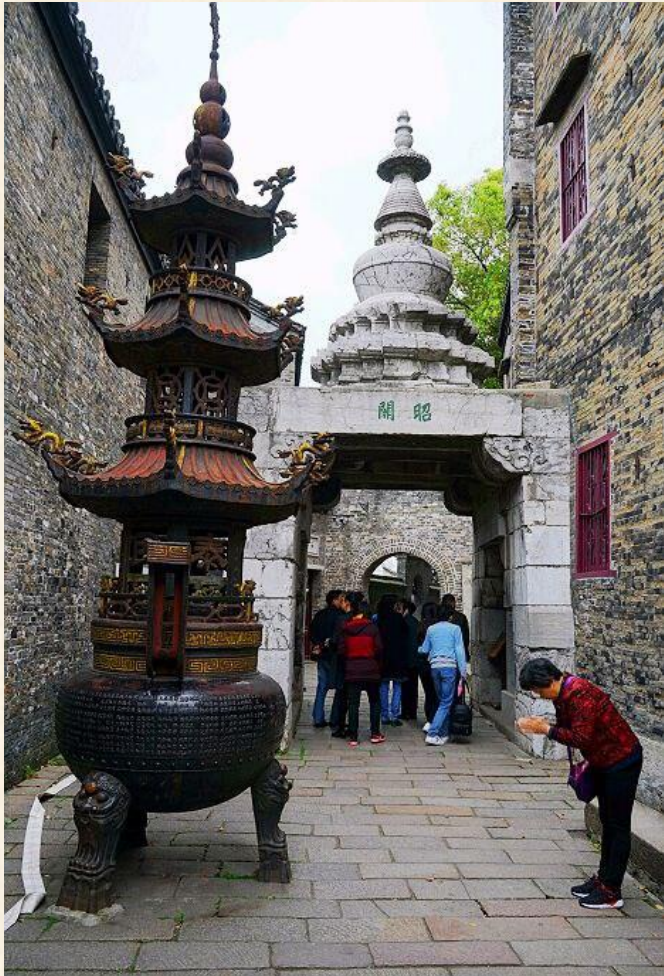
A prominent Chinese politician; the first Premier of the People's Republic of China

**Caoyun System Museum**





DAY 12---DAY 13  
Yangzhou & Zhenjiang



A birds' Eye View of the Yangtze River from Beigushan Hill



Xijindu Old Streets



DAY 14---DAY 15  
Suzhou



Silk Museum



Liuyuan Garden



Shantang Street



Suzhou Museum





DAY 16  
Jiaxing: Wuzhen Water Village

Foliage dyeing





DAY 17---DAY 18  
Hangzhou



West Lake



Hands-on  
Activities



Public Transportation on the Canal



DAY 19---DAY 20  
Shanghai

French Concession area

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The Bund







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